The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the 50th Anniversary of the landmark Civil Rights Act of 1964 is July 2, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 marks a historic commitment by our nation to eliminate the stain of discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, and national origin; and

WHEREAS, Washington state's own law against discrimination dates back to 1949; and

WHEREAS, both our state and our nation continue to grow the promise of equality by expanding civil rights protections to persons with disabilities, veterans, and members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender community; and

WHEREAS, Washington state's future is enriched by the hundreds of cultural traditions, ranges of faith, types of families, expressions of personal identities, personal abilities and talents, and professional and personal experiences of its residents; and

WHEREAS, all Washingtonians share a collective aspiration to build a better future for current and future generations;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby recognize the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and proclaim Washington state's continued commitment to ensuring all Washingtonians benefit from our legacy of equality, justice, and diversity.

ON WALL STREET

Signed this 2nd day of July, 2014

Governor Jay Inslee